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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

***Response to Amendment***

The reply filed on 10/14/03 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the amendment does not give a complete list of all the pending claims. Applicant must supply a new claim list that includes the withdrawn claims. (See 37 C.F.R. 1.121) Moreover, the new claim list must have the claims properly numbered. The original claims were not numbered correctly. Applicant was notified in the office action dated 7/9/03 that claims 17-20 were renumbered as 16-19. (See 37 C.F.R. 1.126) The amendment added a new independent claim 21 for which no fee was paid. Applicant must include a \$43 payment for the additional independent claim. (See 37 C.F.R. 1.17) The new claim would then be 20 instead of 21. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

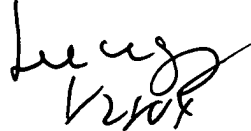
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